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2000 Victorian Year Book released today

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) released the 112th edition of the Victorian Year Book today. It provides readers with a comprehensive statistical overview of the social and economic milieu in Victoria. The Year Book uses a wide range of ABS data, supplemented with information provided by Commonwealth and State government departments, and other organisations.

The 2000 Victorian Year Book contains a feature article entitled "Developments in Education", written by the Department of Education, Employment and Training. One of the many things the article reveals is that government schools in Victoria are the largest users of information technology in Australia, with more than 134,000 computers.

The move towards the use of information technology and multimedia is just one of the more significant developments in education in recent years, as described in the 2000 Victorian Year Book.

An expanded chapter on regional statistics is another feature of the 2000 Victorian Year Book. It contains a wide variety of statistics, sourced from both the ABS and other organisations, for Local Government Areas in Victoria.

The 2000 Victorian Year Book is a valuable reference tool and source of stories for media with chapters on population, labour force, climate and natural environment, education, government, transport and communications, health, crime and justice, trade, tourism and culture, finance, prices and expenditure, manufacturing, primary industries, and building.

Some facts in brief from the 2000 Victorian Year Book

- In 1999, Victoria recorded a net interstate migration gain of 3,975 people, an increase on the 1998 figure of 1,206.
- The number of teaching staff in Victorian schools increased 3.8% from 51,393 in 1998 to 53,365 in 1999.
- Between 1992-93 and 1997-98, there was a 66% decrease in State Government outlays related to servicing public debt.
- The number of bank branches outside the Melbourne metropolitan area decreased by 2.6% between 1998 and 1999, but the number of agencies increased by 7.4%.
- Between 1996-97 and 1998-99, there was a 14.8% increase in the number of overseas visitors who specified Victoria as their main State of intended stay, compared to 0.8% for all of Australia.
- The total value of construction work done in Victoria in 1998-99 was \$12.2 billion, a 17% increase on the 1997-98 figure of \$10.5 billion.

Copies of the **2000 Victorian Year Book** (Cat. No. 1301.2) are available in public libraries across Victoria. Copies are available for purchase from the ABS Bookshop, Level 5, CGU Tower, 485 LaTrobe St, Melbourne; or by phone on 1300 135 070.

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